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Football coach hands in resignation after loss

By JEREMIAH COOK
Staff Writer

When head coach Bill Cooke tendered his resignation on Oct. 12, it came as a bit of a shock. "I really wasn't prepared for it to happen this way," said Sallie Beard, Missouri Southern athletic director. In his time at Southern, Bill Cooke guided the Lions to a 15-33 record, including a 5-6 record in 2002. Cooke joined the Lions in January 1988 as defensive coordinator, but was given the title of interim head coach just two weeks before the beginning of the 1988 season. He finished that season with a record of 3-7. Twelve years later, Cooke took the helm again, this time succeeding Greg Gregory. After a 1-5 start to the season, Cooke thought it was time for a change. "On Wednesday (Oct. 8) I went to Mrs. Beard and told her that I was going to resign at the end of the season and surely at the end of the semester," Cooke said. But all that changed after a loss to the Truman State University Bulldogs Oct. 11. "I ask our players to make a 100 percent commitment," Cooke said. "And it wasn't morally right for me to not be 100 percent committed when I'm asking them to." Cooke does hope that some good will come of this situation. "I'm in hopes that this move will spark this



Bill Cooke
Former Head Football Coach



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TURN TO **COOKE** PAGE 2 Nate Proctor, running back, takes a hit from a Truman State player and fumbles the ball during the Homecoming game. See story on Page 11.



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Missouri Southern officials added 10 flags and a new sign for the east side of Hughes Stadium as finishing touches.

Officials 'finish off' football stadium

Southern spends \$13,600 for project

By T.J. GERLACH
Public Forum Editor

A new flag is flying over Missouri Southern; well, 10 new flags to be exact. In September, University officials met to decide on how to "finish off and enhance" the appearance on the east side of Hughes Stadium. "It's not finished off," said University President Julio León. "[In order to finish it] we would have to finish the stands all the way to the top." "We had looked at several options for finishing off the east side of the stadium," said Bob Harrington, director of the physical plant. León proposed putting up a sign that would read "Home of the Lions" centered between 10 new international flags.

Dr. Chad Stebbins, director of the Institute of International Studies, said the University already has 60-80 international flags on campus. "The sign and flags are just a way of dressing [the stadium] up and disguising the feeling of unfinished business on that side of the stadium," León said. "It adds a little bit of color around the football field; it will make the facility look better." After their meeting, officials began getting estimates and ordering the necessary supplies for the project. Southern hired Sign Designs of Joplin to make the sign. On Sept. 29, the Monday after a Lions home football game, Jack Coose, carpenter supervisor, and Greg Killingsworth, carpenter, began erecting the flagpoles and the posts that would eventually hold the sign. The sign was the last item put up; it was put in place on Oct. 9, just in time for Southern's Homecoming game against Truman State University.

The project cost the University \$13,600. The funds came from Southern's operational budget, Harrington said. This amount includes the flags, poles, the "Home of the Lions" sign, concrete, equipment rentals and all the earthwork necessary to erect the poles. "The international flags represent countries for which we have international students participating in athletics," Harrington said. Some students believe the idea is good but disagree with the use of University money to fund the project. "Our theme is international so it's probably a good idea," said Katie Pierson, sophomore biology major. "Enrollment has declined so obviously [the University is] trying to be more marketable, but, seeing as how they spent \$13,000, instead of putting tulips and flags everywhere, we could try to do something educational, like buying books."

Southern Foundation looks toward future of University

By MICHELLE CONTY
Coordinating Editor

Colleges and universities are going to new heights to stay competitive and draw students to their campuses. The proposal for a new student recreation center, possibly attached to Billingsly Student Center, has made its way from a Student Senate idea to the drawing board. "I was a skeptic at first, but after I looked into it, I was convinced it's the right thing and good will come of it," said Zach Odem, student senate president. Doug Carnahan, dean of students, said the proposed facility would give students a reason to stay on campus and provide Missouri Southern with a much-needed social center. Darren Fullerton, director of campus recreation and wellness, said remodeling the Lion's Den brought students back to campus. The Lion's Den would stay open later if the proposed student center were attached to Billingsly. The student health center will also be moved into the building. The main highlight of the recreation center would be a fitness facility. Unlike existing fitness centers, this one would be open to all students and not exclusively athletes. "The Student Life Center doesn't cut it; there are no showers or changing facilities," Fullerton said. "It's not friendly to those off campus." Keeping the fitness center open to all students is one of the reasons the facility has been suggested as an addition to BSC. "The best thing about a student

recreation center is the sports department will not be able to restrict students' access to the facility," Odem said. "If we attach to Young it would be too tempting to restrict student use and use student funds." Fullerton said more than 32 percent of students polled belong to a fitness club. Club dues for students average \$25-\$30 per month. Dr. Terri Agee, vice president for academic affairs, met with seven architects at a proposal meeting Oct. 2. "The firms will be submitting proposals for a feasibility study," Agee said. She said the request for proposal committee, chaired by Bob Harrington, director of the physical plant, will review the proposals and invite three finalists back to the University to give presentations. "We want to approach this in a quality manner, and it should yield quality results," Agee said. "When all that is said and done, hopefully we will have a master plan with regard to the recreation center and facilities." University President Julio León said Southern is getting ideas by looking to what other institutions have done. Fullerton said one such institution is the University of Tulsa. Demographically similar to the



Doug Carnahan
Dean of Students

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WEEKEND OUTLOOK

SATURDAY

Partly Cloudy

High: 71

Low: 48

SUNDAY

Sunny

High: 72

Low: 54

ONLINE

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This week's online poll:
Do you think spending \$13,600 for international flags at the football stadium is a good idea?

Senate works without Odem

BY NATE BILLINGS
 International Editor

The Oct. 15 meeting of Student Senate opened without a president.

Zack Odem, senior accounting major and Senate president, was unable to come to the meeting.

Senate vice president Jeannie Archie, senior sociology major, took over the position for the evening.

“I told him (Odem) I was ok with it,” Archie said.

The Senate opened with old business, which brought the Kinesiology Club and the Russian Club to the floor. The Kinesiology Club requested \$1,000 for a conference trip at the Lake of the Ozarks. The finance committee recommended the amount, and Senate approved it. The conference would allow 21 members of the club to visit with other future professionals in their field.

The Russian Club asked for \$900 to go to Dallas to see *The Great Russian Nutcracker* performed by the Moscow Ballet. The club would then use any free time to extend its cultural experiences while in Dallas.

The finance committee rec-

ommended the requested amount and Senate approved it.

After the old business was discussed, the Senate opened the floor to new items and announcements.

The acting president thanked the senators for coming to Casino Night during the Homecoming events.

“It’s the most senators we’ve had come to one of our Casino Nights,” said Adam Griffin, co-advisor to Senate.

All proceeds from the Casino Night went to United Way. The Senate raised \$400 for the cause.

The meeting adjourned after 20 minutes, making it one of the shortest meetings of the year.

“It went very well,” Archie said. “It was my first time in control.”

Both Griffin and Archie said Odem has not missed a meeting before.

“She (Archie) ran it mostly by the book,” Griffin said. “She picked up right where Zack would have left off.”

In the absence of a president, the vice president may take over, however, any other senator who cannot make a meeting, must obtain an excuse of absence through permission of the executive committee.

Author brings Cuba to students in rhyme

BY NATE BILLINGS
 International Editor

Cuban poetry is coming to Missouri Southern Wednesday with Dr. Ruth Behar, professor of anthropology at the University of Michigan.

Behar has authored and edited several books including *Translated Woman: Crossing the Border with Esperanza’s Story* and *The Vulnerable Observer: Anthropology that Breaks Your Heart*.

“Several of our (Southern’s) other guest speakers have commented on how fortunate we are that she is coming to Southern,” said Dr. Chad Stebbins, director of the Institute of International Studies.

At 11 a.m. Thursday, Behar will speak to Dr. William Kumbier’s, professor of English, World Humanities class in Hearnes Hall, Room 320. Then, at 1 p.m., she will speak to Dr. Cristobal Sartori’s,

associate professor of communications, Survey of Spanish-American Literature class in Webster Hall, Room 308.

At 7 p.m. that night, she will present a film screening of *Adio Kerida/ Goodbye Dear Love*. She will use the time to discuss the film and the ties her family had with the film’s theme.

On Oct. 24 she will present a lecture and a reading titled *Everything I Kept: Being a Poet in Cuba. Everything I Kept* is a book Behar published which was inspired by the poetry written by Cuban poet Dulce Maria Loynaz.

The book was published in Cuba and Behar will discuss her work on the book and in Cuba.

“Dr. Behar will be on campus for three days and will be utilized as a scholar-in-residence,” Stebbins said. “We are hoping that as many students as possible take advantage of this unique opportunity to rub shoulders with an intellectual giant.”

COOKE:

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program and get it going,” he said. Cooke was remembered by many not for his record, but for the kind of man that he is.

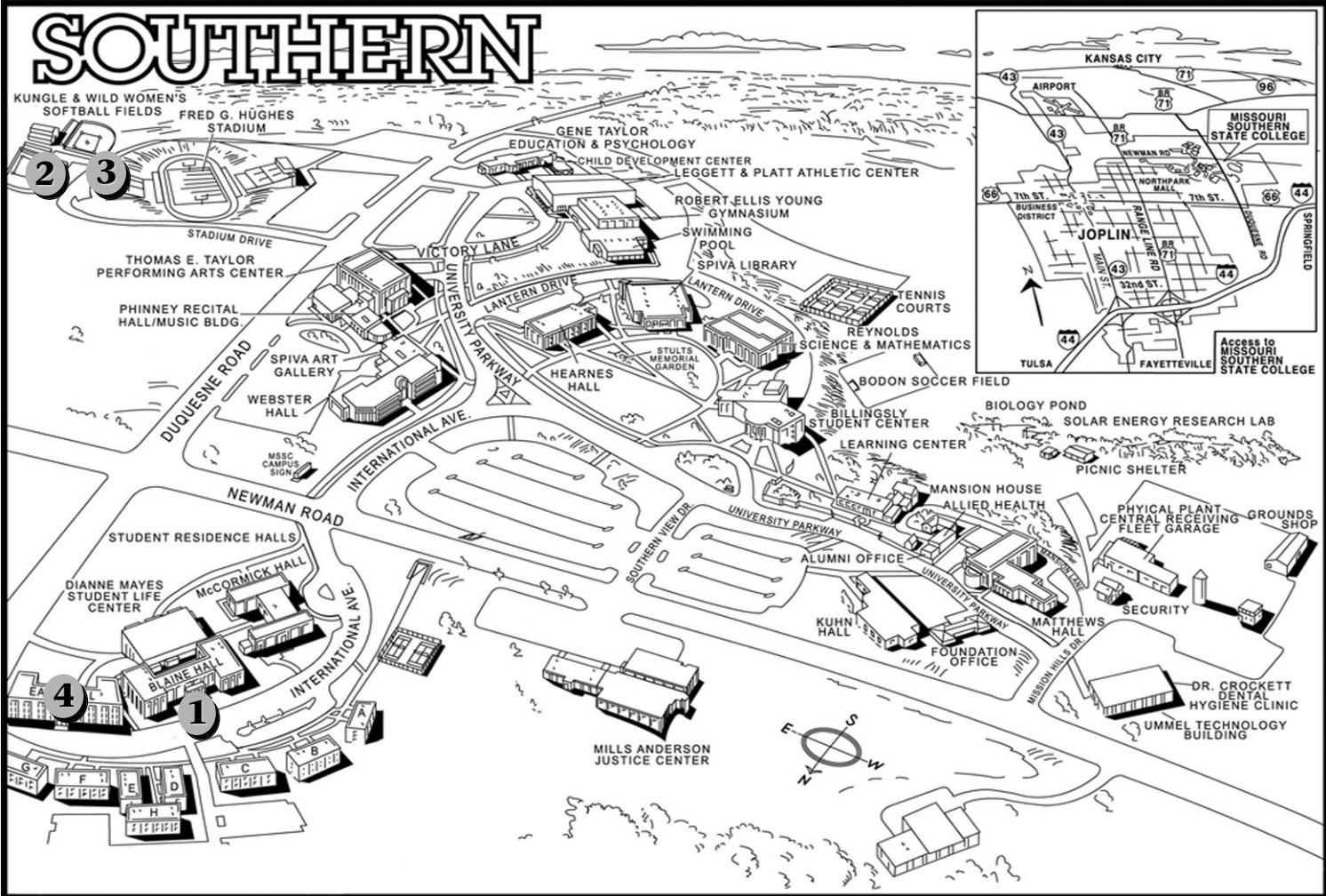
“I have had the opportunity to work with Bill Cooke for 16 years,” Beard said. “And the one thing that I do know is that he is a man who has a genuine desire to do what is right.”

“He did a lot for the program,” said senior line backer Josh Elmer.

“He tries his best,” said senior wide receiver Josh Combs. “I respect Coach Cooke.”

For now, Rob Green, assistant head coach, quarterbacks coach and offensive coordinator will lead the team.

Southern will launch a nationwide search for a replacement soon. Beard said Southern hopes to have a replacement hired before the end of the semester.



Man fears laxative caused color change

1	Injured Person	2	Injured Person	3	Injured Person	4	Fire Alarm
10/14/03		10/11/03		10/11/03		10/11/03	
6:09 a.m.		3:10 p.m.		2 p.m.		12:24 a.m.	
An officer was contacted by a man in the Blaine Hall parking lot stating he wanted an ambulance. The man had drank a bottle of laxative and thought he was turning white. Dispatch asked the officer if he was, but security stated “he appeared black” to him. JPD and an ambulance were called, but the man refused help.		Security was called to the east bleachers of the softball fields by a woman asking if he had a Band-Aid. The woman had an ingrown toe nail, and her friend thought it would be fun to step on it. The injured woman had already cleaned the toe and stopped the bleeding, but wanted to keep it clean. Security proceeded to bandage her toe.		Security was dispatched to the bleachers on the east side of the softball fields in reference to an injured person. The woman had passed out for a couple of seconds and was feeling faint. METS personnel were already there and checking her. She declined an ambulance and requested to be taken back to her bus. Security complied.		An officer was called to East Hall in response to be a second floor fire alarm. The SA of the building stated he had checked the building for smoke, but found none. Security observed no signs of smoke as well. The alarm was reset. No suspects in the pulling were named.	

Campus Calendar

City Health Department brings free HIV testing to campus

The Joplin City Health Department will be on campus to perform free confidential HIV testing and counseling.

The health department will be providing the services from 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesday. The department will be on campus every first and third Wednesday of each month until Dec. 10.

The December event will be for results only.

The department will be in Kuhn Hall, Room 301.

Persons interested may call 625-9323 for information or to make an appointment. No names are necessary.

Preventive services, pap smears and STD checks are also available through the campus health center in Kuhn Hall, Room 306. The preventive services clinic hours are from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. every Thursday.

Computer club elects officers, prepares for upcoming speaker

The Missouri Southern Computer Information Science Club has announced the officer elections from its inaugural meeting Sept. 25.

The president of the club is Julie Wilson and the vice president is Mike English. Michelle Goff was given the position of treasurer, and Caleb Engelkin became the secretary. Michael Lackey achieved the status of Web coordinator, while Courtney Goff became the publicity coordinator. And Phillip Schulte is the membership coordinator.

The club will meet again Oct. 30 in Matthews Hall, Room 102. George Foster

from Jack Henry & Associates will be speaking at the CIS meeting.

There were 42 registered members present in the last meeting along with several faculty members and a few “major” guests.

Support Center begins search for freshman orientation leaders

The Student Support Center is now accepting applications for College Orientation Leaders.

Faculty can recommend a student or students can go to Hearnes Hall, Room 114 to pick up an application.

Applicants should have completed 45 credit hours (including the current semester), kept at least a 2.5 grade point average and demonstrated leadership potential, academic standing and a commitment to Southern. New Student Leaders will receive two credit hours in Psychology 498 Leadership Training. Returning leaders can earn an extra credit hour in Leadership Training.

The leaders will teach one of 50 College Orientation classes that are required for the first eight weeks of the fall semester.

Faculty should bring their recommendations to Amy Ryder in the Student Support Center by Monday. Application materials will then be sent out to those students. All applications are due by Nov. 14.

English department publication begins accepting submissions

The *Winged Lion* is currently accepting submissions for its upcoming publication.

The submissions can be in the form of fiction, creative essays or poetry. Prose fic-

tion is limited to 4,000 words or less and poetry is limited to six works.

Works should be turned into to Dr. Meche’s mailbox by Nov. 10 in Hearnes Hall, Room 300.

Persons interested should not put their names on the manuscript, but need to include a cover sheet with a name, phone number, e-mail address and titles of the works.

Girl Scouts pursue fellowship, leadership around community

The Campus Scouts of Southern will be holding their next meeting Thursday.

The group is composed of Campus Girl Scouts who are registered adult volunteers. They provide fellowship, leadership and a variety of services at the University and in Joplin.

No previous experience is required to join. The club meets at 4 p.m. every Thursday on the first floor of Billingsly.

Persons interested may call 206-4027 or e-mail browning-m-045@mssu.edu.

Students receive discount tickets for Eccentrix’s Redbone concert

Tickets can now be purchased for the Martha Redbone concert.

Redbone is called the “debut artist of the year” and will be performing in Taylor Auditorium. Her recently released debut CD is called *Home of the Brave*.

Tickets are general admission and can be bought for \$10. With an ID, students can get a discount.

The concert will be held at 7 p.m. Oct. 30. It is an Eccentrix Production and is co-sponsored by the n.a.s.a. club.

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Wife supports student king

By JERRY MANTER

Editor-in-Chief

As Butch Loveall was crowned Homecoming king Oct. 11, he didn't waver to a girlfriend or a bunch of his buddies in the stands.

He waved to his wife and three children. Loveall, senior secondary education major, is 35 years old and a family man.

"It was great hearing my name get called out," Loveall said. "It was fun being a celebrity for a day."

Loveall, a member with the Kinesiology Club, didn't take the Homecoming nomination seriously when fellow club members nominated him.

"It was really funny, but at the same time I was honored," Loveall said. "They wanted me to run and represent the club."

Southern's Homecoming queen for the year is Jaime Green, another Kinesiology Club member.

"I thought they were teasing when the club nominated me," Green said. "I was shocked."

Julie Blackford, director of student activities, said 704 students voted for this year's event.

Last year about 500 students voted.

"I thought Homecoming went really well this year," Blackford said. "Students were a little hesitant about the Western theme, but they had fun with it."

Although campaigning for votes wasn't a high priority, Green and Loveall set out together and made posters. They purchased candy with promotional advertising messages taped on the wrappers as well.

Green, a student assistant in the residence halls, had help

from several of McCormick Hall's residents.

"Those girls got the word out," Loveall said.

At the big game, Loveall had his children and wife Julie at the ceremony. Four-year-old Josiah walked out with Loveall in a lion's outfit.

"The kids were just as excited as I was," he said.

Julie Loveall said Homecoming was an amazing day for her husband and the family.

"It doesn't make sense that a homecoming king is 35 years old and going back to school," Julie Loveall said. "But it does make sense for him being homecoming king when you think of what type of guy he is."

During the ceremony, she said, her husband continually looked over to her and her children with excitement. After the crowning was over, she was overwhelmed.

"When it was over he sat by me," she said. "He wasn't so caught up in the moment that he forgot about his family — I was proud."

It was also a special day for Green. Being a secondary education major with an emphasis in physical education, Green said she spends almost all of her time in Leggett & Platt. She said she's surprised that so many people voted for her.

"It was just a compliment to be in the top five," Green said.

Although she wasn't nervous walking onto the football field for the crown, she said it was still a special moment.

"I never thought in my wildest dreams I thought I would be nominated," she said. "It says a lot that a lot of your peers respect you."



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Jaime Green and Butch Loveall, secondary education majors, stand with Butch's son Josiah, before the royalty crowning at the Homecoming football game, Oct. 11.

Squad wins fifth place in opener

By T.J. GERLACH

Public Forum Editor

On Sept 26-28, the Missouri Southern speech and debate squad competed in tournament at Truman State University in Kirksville. The tournament was the season opener.

At the tournament, Tyler Coble, junior psychology major, qualified for the quarter finals in the Lincoln-Douglas debates. Wes Carrillo, junior political science major, was defeated by Coble in the first LD elimination round.

Jeremy Hollingshead, senior economics major, won the LD tournament by defeating a University of Nebraska debater in a 2-1 decision.

Hollingshead is the current national LD champion.

All three of these competitors received speaker awards at the tournament.

"We took fifth in debate with not competing in half the events," Hollingshead said.

Twenty-three schools competed in the tournament from nine states. Thirty-nine debaters competed in the varsity-level Lincoln-Douglas debate.

"Our freshman [Eric Crinnian, undecided major] was 17th," said Kelly Larson, assistant professor of communications and director of debate and forensics. "And only the top 16 qualify for the elimination round."

This was Crinnian's first college debate tournament.

Also at the tournament, Jason Edgar, senior speech communications major, and Jeff Dugdale, senior CIS major, finished fourth in duo action.

The squad next competes Friday-Sunday, at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb.

"Creighton is usually one of the biggest debate tournaments in the country," Larson said. "That tournament is always a good tournament to determine where you are and what you need to improve on."

He said about 60-70 people compete in Lincoln-Douglas debate at the Creighton tournament representing 25-30 schools from about 10 states.

Hollingshead said that unlike in sports, "We have one division, [that includes] Ivy League, big schools, small schools, everyone."

"My top five kids are as good as the top five kids on any team in the nation," Larson said.

Hollingshead said the squad's focus for this tournament is "winning it."

"My goal is winning every tournament this year," he said.

Larson and the squad looks forward to the remainder of the season.

"We expect to win every time we go out," Larson said.

"Our odds at winning nationals this year are significantly better than last year when we took second," Hollingshead said.



Kelly Larson

Director of Debate and Forensics

Community, students come together for party

By JOSH RAY

Executive Editor

It's time for international students to party.

For more than five years, University President Julio León and his wife Vivian, director of the Missouri Southern International Piano Competition, have been hosting an international party.

This year's party will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday on the third floor of Billingsly Student Center. The invitations have already been sent, and the final preparations are underway.

Vivian León said she is expecting between 300-350 people to show up at the event.

There are about 100 international students on campus. The Leóns went out into the community, contacting all the schools and companies in the area, to get a hold of every international student,

family, or faculty member available. They did not just look at the Joplin area, either. Vivian León said she and her husband contacted schools such as Seneca and Lamar high schools and Crowder College. She said the event offers all area international students a chance to meet people from their own country, as well as other countries.

"It's just good for them to meet people from different places, as well as people from their home," Vivian León said.

Robert Tole, senior general business major, is an international student from Kenya. He has been to the party the last two years.

"It's fun because you get to meet a lot of different people," Tole said.

He plans on going to this year's event also. He enjoys it because of the activities and the food.

"It's always something interesting they have to do," Tole said. "The food's great, too."

Vivian León said there are numerous activities planned for the event. When people start showing up, they will be divided into the different continents that they are from. Everyone is invited to come in their native dress, and this is when people meet other people from their homeland.



Vivian León

Director of the MSIPC

Soloist brings Russia to area children in form of Moscow Ballet

By JONATHAN BEVILLE

City Editor

Russian culture and dancing visit Southwest Missouri each year when the Moscow Ballet comes to town.

On Oct. 5, the Moscow Ballet auditioned children for its winter production of *The Nutcracker*.

The Moscow Ballet will tour more than 70 U.S. cities in November and December casting as many as 60 local children in minor rolls at each stop.

Shirley's Dance Studio in Joplin hosted the auditions for the second consecutive year. Shirley Elliott, owner of the studio, was hired by the Moscow Ballet to not only host the auditions, but also to direct the children through rehearsals.

Boris Baskakov, a soloist with the Moscow Ballet since 2000, led the auditions of more than 50 children. More than 20 of the children auditioning were Elliott's students.

"I look for focus and concentration as well as talent," Baskakov said. "I look for flexibility and the ability to stay on point."

Baskakov will dance in the company's production of *The Nutcracker* and also serve as the children's ballet master.

As the children prepared for their auditions, Baskakov and Elliott walked around the room

making final preparations.

When Elliott announced it was time to begin, the children fell silent.

With Baskakov standing at the room's center, the children stared at the Russian dancer.

"Welcome Boris," they said in unison.

Baskakov speaks little English, and from time to time, Elliott would echo his commands to the children.

Baskakov's difficulties with the English language make the auditioning process more difficult for the children. Elliott said Rusidan Kvitsiany led the auditions for the company last year. She said Kvitsiany spoke five languages.

"One, two, three, four," Baskakov said as the children mimicked his actions.

Elliott said the children performing on stage with the Russian dancers always excites her.

"I stood back stage last year and watched with goose bumps," she said. "It was incredible watching the Russian dancers."

Brista McManis, age 16, has danced in the production for the past two years.

"It was an awesome experience," McManis said.

Brista's mother Diane McManis said she and her husband encourage Brista to dance, but it is something she has always been interested in herself. Of the 58 children to audition, all but two were girls.

Elliott said sports, instead of ballet, are more



Nancy Hight-Morris/The Chart

Boris Baskakov, soloist with the Moscow Ballet, leads area children through Nutcracker auditions.

prevalent with young men in this country than in other parts of the world.

"In other countries, ballet is encouraged because there are not as many alternatives," Elliott said.

The children selected began rehearsing the same afternoon and will meet weekly through Nov. 26. Baskakov taught a master ballet class to students the evening of Oct. 5.

Dr. David Ackiss, professor of English at

Southern, brought his daughter Claire to audition for the ballet.

"She hopes to become a party guest," he said. "She does not want to be a mouse."

This was Ackiss' first year auditioning for the ballet. Her father said she seemed calm and confident. Elliott said all 58 of the children auditioning were offered parts in the production.

The Moscow Ballet's production of *The Nutcracker* is Nov. 26 at Joplin Memorial Hall.

Editor's Column

Holiday celebrates Indian's 'conqueror'

I am not politically correct. My dislike for politically-correct language has nothing to do with the people themselves, it has to do with the words and what the words imply only.



Michelle Conty
Coordinating Editor

The impulse behind politically correct language is a good one, but it has been grotesquely distorted beyond usefulness. There is no need to invent absurdly hyphenated names to make people feel better.

Labels divide people; the fewer labels the better.

The label that offends me the most is Native American.

I use the term Indian. There is nothing wrong with this word. It is important to know that the word Indian does not derive from Columbus mistakenly believing he reached "India." India was called Hindustan in 1492. It is more likely the word Indian came from Columbus's description of the people he found when he landed. He was Italian and did not speak or write Spanish very well. In his written accounts he called the people he met "Una gente in Dios." Translated, "A people in God."

As for the American in the term Native American, this is an insulting term.

Indians have suffered enough without us tagging the name of their conquerors on them.

Their hemisphere was stolen, more than 20 million of them were killed, more than 500 separate cultures were destroyed and they were herded onto reservations.

Before 1492, 25 million people inhabited Central America. By 1579, only 2 million remained.

The U.S. Department of the Interior invented the phrase "Native American" in 1970. It is an inventory term used to keep track of people. It includes Hawaiians, Eskimos, Samoans, Micronesians, Polynesians and Aleuts.

Anyone who uses the phrase Native American is assisting the government in its effort to obliterate the Indian's true identities.

In a press release by the American Indian Movement, WaBun-Inini, Ind-diz-Nikaz of the Anishinabe Ojibwe Nation, said, Columbus Day "would be the same as if German people would celebrate and glorify Adolf Hitler and the rise of Fascism and the Nazi Holocaust."

AIM asked Congress to eliminate the Columbus legacy and holiday and follow the lead of Louisiana and South Dakota who honor American Indians on Oct. 12.

If we really are so concerned with the feelings of Indians, then maybe we could address them by their tribal nationalities. As well, we could eliminate what truly offends them — our national holiday to commemorate their "Hitler" — Columbus Day.

Michelle Conty is the Coordinating Editor for The Chart. Her opinions are her own and don't necessarily reflect those of the entire staff.

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Stadium flags waste money

It seems that whenever the University is in a so-called budget crisis, the powers that be manage to blow what little money there is on some of the most pointless projects.

Last year, it was the barrier on Duquesne Road with the fence and fancy paint job. This year, it's for "finishing off" Hughes Stadium.

The University has just spent \$13,600 on 10 new international flags and a sign that reads "Home of the Lions." The sign itself might have been justifiable, almost, but the flags?

The University already has around

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60-80 international flags. Did we really need to purchase 10 more for the stadium? The flags are supposed to represent countries that have athletes here. Which in turn means that as the semesters change and students come and go, more money will have to be sunk into buying new flags to keep up with the new student athletes. It is really starting to sound like a money drain.

It seems like the University has lost its touch on its main mission —

education. The University cut budgets in all departments, raised tuition and is not able to buy new books and journals for the library, but new flags are a must? That doesn't make sense.

The people in charge need to rethink their priorities. Which is more important, low costs for students, good books and a great education, or aesthetic items like new international flags?

If there is a problem answering that question, students should be asked their opinions too. They pay to go here.

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Campus Voice

By NANCY HIGHT-MORRIS

What do you think of the stadium flags?



“The flags at this point in time seem like a big waste of money. Webster and Taylor already have flags in them. We don't need to keep pushing the issue.”

Erina Parks
Senior
Theatre
Major



“I can think of so many other areas where the money could've done some good, per se education. \$13,000 on flags, wow that's crazy to think of what our tuition pays for.”

Peggy Self
Freshman
Undecided
Major



“The flags enhance our international mission and beautify campus. They also are a nice consideration for our international students to possibly see their country's flag so far from home.”

Nick Davis
Sophomore
Biology
Major



“It appears that the money spent on flags could've been used more wisely with the budget cuts you hear so many professors arguing and griping about.”

Heather Hilton
Sophomore
Nursing
Major



“I think it's nice that they updated the stadium.”

Carissa Knoderer
Freshman
Biology
Major

In Perspective

The line between education and job training is hard to recognize

“In many respects, the word university is shorthand for ongoing training of employees” — or so contends the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, as reported in the Oct. 10 issue of *The Chart*.

Judged solely in terms of the economic utility, this is good news.

Indeed, Missouri Southern's humble progenitor, Joplin Junior College, was founded in 1937 primarily because up to that point, “those aspiring to enter the professions ... had to leave Joplin.”

The equation of a university education with job training should not surprise anyone who has followed devel-

opments in higher education over the past decade: in a global economy, we are told, every institution has to compete more fiercely for resources and markets; higher education is a “service industry” like any other which must cast off its old-fashioned inefficiencies; and this means treating “customers” (formerly known as students) in the manner pioneered by Wal-Mart, Starbucks and Amazon.com.

But does this really make sense?

True, the first universities sprung up in the 12th century as centers for training clerics, canon lawyers and physicians, but they soon took on their own reason for being, immortalized in Cardinal Newman's classic, *The Idea of the University*.

Newman defended the university as a “little universe” dedicated to the cultivation of “the liberally educated mind,” characterized by good judge-

ment, clear-sightedness, sagacity, philosophical reach and intellectual self-possession.

Unfortunately such ideals sound quaint at best to us today, the kind of lofty and momentarily inspiring rhetoric that enchants us while flipping through college brochures or consoles us during overlong commencement speeches. Our students have learned to regard such sentiments as purely ceremonial, accepting in practice the idea that time at the university not spent “training” for a specific job is time largely wasted.

But in a post-industrial economy where entire economic sectors rise and disappear in a matter of decades, if not years, specialized training of any kind proves less and less significant in the big picture — for both individuals (who, we are told, will re-train many times over during their working lives)

and for businesses (who need employees with enough basic competencies to master such constant re-training).

Instead, a university education organized around a core curriculum that teaches competence in old-fashioned “symbolic” activities like reading, writing, arithmetic and science provides a basic skill set necessary for constant re-adaptation in a post-industrial world.

But in the so-called “information age,” the line between education and job training is becoming harder and harder to recognize. Where the latter once occurred in the field or on the factory floor, it is now as likely to occur in a room with desks, blackboards and an instructor in front.

To the untrained eye, such a situation may indeed be mistaken for an educational one.

But we know better. What makes a

learning situation “educational” in the best sense is its final purpose, its animating motivation to provide, in the words of Langdon Winner, “not a storehouse of knowledge to be bankrolled and then doled out, but ... a set of well-tuned habits of inquiry and critical thinking that a person continues cultivating throughout a lifetime.”

If we lose sight of this crucial distinction, if we equate education with job training and persist in treating students as mere “customers” instead of, in the words of Neil Postman, “the living messages we send to a time we will not see,” we are inviting students to treat us as any other retailer of commodities — to be cast aside and forgotten when a new outfit enters the picture, selling the identical wares at higher volume and lower margins — and passing the savings (and losses) on to us.



Dr. Jeff Martinek
Assistant Director
of the Honors Program

Iranian Muslim wins Nobel Peace Prize

By JONATHAN BEVILLE
City Editor

A committee appointed by the Norwegian Storting met in secret discussing the work of prominent world figures.

On Oct. 10, the group announced Shirin Ebadi as the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for 2003.

Ebadi is the first Iranian and the first Muslim woman to win the prize.

"I think she honestly deserves the Nobel Peace Prize," said Dr. Carolyn

Hale, associate professor of communications.

"She is a wonderful role model for all young men and women, but particularly for the young men and women in her own country."

A statement issued Oct. 10 by the Norwegian Nobel Committee said Ebadi was awarded the prize for her work for democracy and human rights.

"Her principal arena is the struggle for basic human rights, and no society deserves to be labeled civilized unless the rights of women and children are respected," the statement read. "In an

era of violence, she has consistently supported non-violence."

President George W. Bush congratulated Ebadi in a statement to the press Oct. 11.

"The prize recognizes her lifetime of championing human rights and democracy," Bush said. "I strongly support the Iranian people's aspirations for freedom and their desire for democracy."

Curtis Cooper, a spokesman for the Department of State, said the United States does not recognize the government of Iran.

The Iranian government has no official diplomatic presence in the United States.

By trade, Ebadi is an attorney and in 1975 became the first female judge in Iran.

She was stripped of that position in 1979 when fundamentalist Muslim clerics assumed control of the Iranian government.

"I think it's wonderful that her country can now be cited for something wonderful for a change," Hale said.

Ebadi is a practitioner of reformed Islam, which according to the state-

ment by the Nobel Committee is "in harmony with vital human rights such as democracy, equality before the law, religious freedom and freedom of speech."

Ebadi joins such prominent figures as Mother Teresa, Nelson Mandela, the Dalai Lama, Martin Luther King Jr. and Jimmy Carter as a Nobel laureate.

Upon his death in 1897, Alfred Nobel left in his will the instructions that established the prize.

The Nobel Prize is awarded in literature, physiology and medicine, chemistry, physics and peace.

Officer comes up-front to speak of outback

By NATE BILLINGS
International Editor



Naoko Onoda/ The Chart

Richard Spencer, right, directs questions for retired Australian sergeant, Chris Barrett.

Even the land down under needs police officers.

Retired sergeant Chris Barrett came to Missouri Southern from New South Wales Australia to talk to students about his work and the differences between the United States and his homeland.

Richard Spencer, assistant professor of criminal justice, welcomed Barrett to his classes and engaged the students in discussion with Barrett.

Spencer met Barrett during a trip to Sydney with his International Justice Systems class a few years ago.

"He went way beyond the call of duty," Spencer said.

Barrett helped students move around Sydney by asking police cars to escort the students around the streets.

He also had contacts with the Olympics and allowed students to go into the security dispatch during another trip to Australia.

"It makes a difference if you actually know someone," Spencer said.

Barrett said a few differences exist between the U.S. law enforcement system and the Australian law enforcement system.

"Each state is responsible for providing policing," Barrett said.

He dislikes this aspect of Australia's system.

"We're serving people, and I think it is important to serve the people you live with," he said.

Barrett also enjoyed his work as a sergeant.

"You have the feeling that you're doing some-

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The Cuba Semester

Translating Cuba: Predicaments of a Diasporic Anthropologist
11 a.m., Wednesday
Webster Hall Auditorium

Adio Kerida/Goodbye Dear Love: A film screening and discussion
7 p.m., Thursday
Webster Hall Auditorium

Everything I Kept: Being a Poet in Cuba
10 a.m., Oct. 24
Webster Hall Auditorium

Cuba On Our Mind: Reflections of Joplin's Only Cuban-American Couple
1 p.m., Oct. 31
Webster Hall Auditorium

Jazz with a Cuban Flair
7:30 p.m., Nov. 11
Webster Hall Auditorium

Economist Robert Shiller wonders why

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Diversions



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The Missouri Southern marching band heads down University Parkway during the Homecoming parade. Bands from area high schools including Diamond, Lamar and Joplin also participated.

Southern Stampede



Andy Tevis/The Chart

University President Julio León (above), and wife Vivian find time to watch the tail end of the parade pass by after completing their time in the parade. Tutty Faal (left) carries her country's flag along with the International Club.

Homecoming brings fun with free picnic, activities, parade

By **MELISSA DUNSON**
Diversions Editor

Overcast skies didn't keep Missouri Southern students from enjoying the Homecoming week activities. The free campus-wide picnic Oct. 10 served barbecue beef and spicy chicken sandwiches, hamburgers, chips, cookies and Coke products to 2100 students from 10:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m. This year's event was one of the most successful of recent years in the eyes of students and faculty. "I think people like the free food, I definitely do," said Jared Lett, junior psychology major. "There's definitely more school spirit this year." Some instructors held classes outdoors or released their classes early so students could participate in the festivities. Nathan Chambers's Freshman Orientation had

students participate in some of the homecoming activities and then had the rest of the students write descriptive papers on it. "I rode the mechanical bull for my class today," said Chambers, freshman undecided major. "It's pretty fun. I'm enjoying myself so far." This year's theme was Southern Stampede. All of the attractions were of a western nature. Besides the mechanical bull, a calf-roping exercise, miniature horse race around a giant sombrero and a western obstacle course featuring cattle, hay bales and cactus attracted students and faculty during the picnic. The event inspired some less active students to get involved in campus activities again. "I think Homecoming is an awesome event," said Julie Allord, sophomore business administration major. "I think this is way better than last year." "This year I'm kind of lacking in school spirit

because I haven't gone to anything, and in the past I went to every football game. But this year is definitely going to help my spirit improve." The KSYN radio station sent disc jockey Jason Knight to provide the music for the event. At noon, the Homecoming royalty was announced. Butch Loveall and Jaime Green, both senior secondary education majors, won Homecoming king and queen for the Kinesiology Club. As a 35-year-old non-traditional student, this is an unusual honor for Loveall. "This is the greatest moment of my life," he said. "As a non-traditional student, you don't really expect stuff like this, so, way to go for us old guys." Kristen Smith, senior mass communications major, and Daniel Horner, junior health promotion and wellness major, Homecoming royalty candidates for Koinonia, said they held no hard

feelings toward the winners. "I don't care [about losing]," Horner said. "I'm just glad that we made the top five." Oct. 11 featured the Homecoming parade. The parade lasted over an hour and featured campus organization floats and area high school bands including Diamond, Joplin, Picher and Lamar. The first place award for best float was given to Residence Hall Association. A \$150 check was made out to that organization. Other awards included best Homecoming decoration and best Homecoming decorated office. Gang Green and Zimmer Radio Group both put on student tailgates before the football game that Southern lost, 15-3. Julie Blackford, director of student activities, said she is proud of the students. "It's hard when the team is struggling, but our students are still here, trying to get involved," she said.



International students march in the Homecoming parade. Read the story for a wrap-up on Homecoming week.

Cuban researcher analyzes cultural films

MELISSA DUNSON
Diversions Editor

Move over Hollywood, here comes Havana. Dr. Tamara L. Falicov, assistant professor of film studies and Latin American studies at the University of Kansas, spoke to a crowd of students and faculty Oct. 15 filling two-thirds of Webster Hall Auditorium.

She lectured and gave examples of the film industry in Cuba, past and present. She specifically addressed some of the Cuban stereotypes and the differences between films from the Batista and Castro regimes.

"There isn't really censorship, like you might think there is," Falicov said.

"I remember *Alice in Wonderland* playing for about a week and then it was pulled. But other than that, it's really more about whether they make it or not."

She began her lecture with a short history of Cuban films. She said the film revolution began when the major Cuban film studio burned down.

"A group of students went to Italy to study film making," she said.

While there, the students found a new style of film that involved showing the realities and hardships of everyday life.

The students returned to Cuba and produced a revealing film of the hardships of the Batista regime.

"It kind of aired their dirty laundry," Falicov said. "That was the first and last film like that during the Batista regime."

Falicov showed slides of pre and post-revolutionary movie posters. She said they are unique because of their bold use of color and shapes.

She showed a 10-minute segment of a Cuban movie called *The First Time*. The film dealt



Andy Tevis/The Chart

On Oct. 15 in Webster Hall Auditorium, Dr. Tamara Falicov lectures on the Cuban film industry, specifically focusing on changes in the island's cinematography since Castro's revolution.

with American filmmakers who took a van into the Cuban countryside and gave the residents their first movie experience.

Many of the Cubans didn't even know what a movie was.

"I think it must be something important because you all are so interested in it," said one of the Cubans.

Another Cuban resident imagined a movie being something like a "party" or "dance."

This lack of film availability surprised some students.

"I had never been exposed to Cuban films before and I was surprised that a lot of people

had never seen a movie before," said Terra Higgins, junior psychology major.

"I guess I thought everybody had seen one before."

Falicov said the Cuban people also enjoy American movies.

"There are people who fashion satellites out of tin foil," she said.

Falicov received a Fulbright scholarship to study in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1997-1998. Her work has appeared in journals and has received numerous awards and her book, *Representing the Rural in the Cinema*, will be released 2004.

Kill Bill offers Tarantino fans special treat

Violence, profanity and rock and roll; director Quentin Tarantino's latest offering, *Kill Bill Vol. 1*, has it all. This movie breaks Tarantino's five-year directorial absence. His movies include *Reservoir Dogs*, *From Dusk till Dawn*, *Four Rooms*, *Jackie Brown* and his popular work, *Pulp Fiction*.

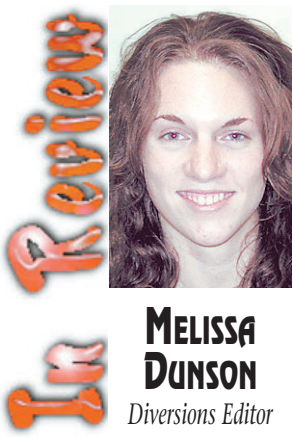
Kill Bill is a typical Tarantino film in that it is unlike anything you have ever seen before. As director, he takes all of the things that he likes best, Kung Fu, '70s funk rock and uniquely stereotypical characters.

The film focuses on the character played by Uma Thurman, "Black Mamba," as she embarks on a slaughter-fest of revenge against her old gang "The Deadly Viper Assassination Squad," after awaking from a four-year coma. The Vipers consist of David Carradine, Lucy Liu, Daryl Hannah, Vivica A. Fox and Michael Madsen.

The movie is creative and smart, but in my opinion, gratuitously violent.

In *Kill Bill*, he attempts to make a cool parody of classic Kung Fu movies that alternately worships and mocks the genre.

The violence is explicit, but not realistic. Thurman goes on a rampage, dismembering hundreds of expendable ninjas. Projectile



MELISSA DUNSON
Diversions Editor



streams of blood shoot from headless necks and the stumps of legs and arms.

About a third of the way through the movie, Tarantino inserts a ten minute Japanimation cartoon relating Lucy Liu's violent history paired with a soundtrack of Tarantino's own blend of '70s funk and Spanish mariachi music.

This film is only half the story. *Kill Bill Vol. 2* comes out February 2004. This means that the ending is a cliffhanger, but not a very good one. You want to see the movie's conclusion because you have already invested two hours of your life in Tarantino's visual romp.

Tarantino needed to make up his mind about whether he was making a comedy, action or drama. The violence isn't believable, but still too dark to warrant laughing at without guilt.

All said, the film is simply too strange to hold any mass appeal, but I am reserving the final critique until *Vol. 2*. Tarantino always has a way of surprising his viewers in the end.

CAB discusses success of latest Homecoming

By T.J. GERLACH
Public Forum Editor

Halloween and spring events dominated the Campus Activities Board's discussion in its Oct. 15 meeting.

The Board did a final review of Homecoming week.

Members said students thought Homecoming was better than last year.

After the Homecoming review, the Board discussed plans for the week of Halloween.

CAB members agreed to contribute money to help the Residence Hall Association buy candy and supplies for RHA's annual Safe Halloween.

A pumpkin-carving contest is being planned by CAB for early in the week. Students will be able to vote on the entries with a "penny vote" — using pennies to choose the winner.

Blackford said the money raised from the vote would be donated to the United Way.

On Oct. 30, CAB has a scary movie night planned. No titles were suggested during the meeting.

Also this semester, CAB is planning a *Finding Nemo* movie night for Nov. 14.

"All our major events for this semester are over," Blackford said.

"Everything major we crammed into the first part of the semester."

She said CAB will continue holding events for this semester though.

Blackford encourages all students to attend CAB's next meeting, which will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the second floor lounge of the Billingsly Student Center.

Cannabis festival promises plant education, music

ARON CROUSE
Staff Writer

The sixth annual Cannabis Festival brings another year of music, food and an educational high.

"I don't see how you can take something out of the f**king ground and make it illegal," said Jason Sain, organizer of the upcoming Cannabis Festival.

This is Sain and Chris Davis' first year of putting together the festival. The first five years the festival was organized by Alan Minta, nickname Cannabis Al.

The festival is Saturday at

Schifferdecker Park under the gazebo and runs from noon-10 p.m.

Sain and Davis said they hope to draw in more than the 1,500 people to the festival did last year

"This is our chance to voice our First Amendment rights," Sain said.

Sain said the festival is organized to represent the voices of those pushing for marijuana legalization.

Entertainment will include 10 bands. Headlining the festival is Syllabil 7.

Other bands include Ilijah, Arias Field, One Track Mind, Smokin Herb Green and the Rollers, among other bands. The festival also offers an opportunity for local

and independent bands to be heard.

Besides the music and the speakers, food and drink vendors will be present.

There will be information booths and vendors where people will be able to buy jewelry, clothing and other hemp products.

"It's a family oriented and a very cool atmosphere," said Johny Duratt, program director of the radio station 105.3.

Sain said one great aspect about the festival is that in the entire five years of the festival there has never been a single person arrested and there has never been an outbreak of violence.

"They are going to drop a lot of education on you," Duratt said.

The festival is not just for listening to the bands, it's also about educating the public about the laws of marijuana, the people's rights and what products hemp can be used for.

One of the speakers at the festival will be Corey Spice. He will speak about marijuana law, and other speakers will be included throughout the evening.

The festival is organized by people who donate their own time and energy for the cause.

"For us, it has been more about the cause and not the show," Sain said.

Area Events

If your organization has an event you would like publicized, call Melissa Dunson at 625-9311.



17 *Mystic River, Runaway Jury and Texas Chainsaw Massacre* open at the Northstar 14 Theaters.

One Track Mind concert @ 10 p.m. @ The Green Room.

Slugtrail, Strength of Conviction and Disgrace by Design concert @ 7 p.m. @ Club Cesspool.

Pinewood Derby and Shattered View concert @ 9 p.m. @ Dioko Coffee Company.

One Eyed Cherry Thieves @ 9 p.m. @ The Route 66 Theatre.

18 Glory Days "Live Music Cafe" @ 8 p.m. @ Glory Days Music.

"Roktober Battle" concert between While I Breathe and Clairmont @ 6:30 p.m. @ The Bridge.

Brutally Frank and Frail concert @ 10 p.m. @ The Green Room.

The Mambas @ 9:30 @ Mike's Bar & Grill.

Waterdeep concert @ 7:30 p.m. @ New Earth Coffeehouse in Kansas City.

The Maple Leaf Parade @ 9 a.m. @ Historic Carthage Square.

19 Karaoke from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. @ Murphy's Irish Pub.

20 BSU Joy Explosion @ 7 p.m.

21 Karaoke and all you can eat Tacos @ 8 p.m. @ J-Town

Karaoke @ 10 p.m. @ The Green Room.

22 BSU Lunch-n-Counter @ Noon.

CAB meeting @ 2 p.m. second floor BSC.

PoDank concert @ 9 p.m. @ My Club.

Poetry reading @ noon @ the University Java Coffeehouse.

23 Krazy Karaoke @ 9 p.m. @ Champ's Bar and Grill

Campus Crusade for Christ @ 7:30 p.m. @ the Student Life Center.

"Adio kerida/Goodbye Dear Love: A Film Screening and Discussion" lecture @ 7 p.m. @ Webster Hall Auditorium.

PoDank concert @ 8 p.m. @ My Club.

DEEP THOUGHTS:

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If a man is standing in the middle of the forest speaking and there is no woman around to hear him, is he still wrong?

If a deaf person swears in sign language, does his mother wash his hands with soap?

Where do forest rangers go to "get away from it all?"

Why isn't there mouse-flavored cat food?

Would a fly without wings be called a walk?

Why do they lock gas station bathrooms? Are they afraid someone will clean them?

If a turtle doesn't have a shell, is he homeless or naked?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

REGIONAL
NEWS BRIEFS

St. John's Medical Center
eases pain in the leg

St. John's Regional Medical Center will hold a free program on leg pain at 1:30 p.m., Monday at St. John's Mercy Conference Center.

Medical professionals will lead small group discussions on possible causes of leg pain. Topics include neuropathy, arthritis and conditions related to arteries and veins.

The program is free to the public. Space is limited, however, and reservations are required, for more information, persons may call 659-6337.

Freeman Health System
ranks in Top 100 list

Freeman Health System was chosen from more than 5,600 hospitals as one of the nation's 100 top hospitals by Solucient. Solucient is a source of health-care business intelligence.

The company recognizes hospitals that have achieved excellence in quality of care, operational efficiency and financial performance.

A statement released by Freeman Health System Oct. 2 stated "that if all acute care hospitals performed at the same level as the nation's top hospitals an additional 54,000 patient stays could be complication free each year."

Information on the top 100 hospitals is available at www.100tophospitals.com.

Joplin City Council
considers park fee

The Joplin City Council is considering requiring a fee for the use of shelters in area parks.

The proposed fee requires \$25 for the use of shelters without utilities and \$35 for the use of shelters with utilities. There is no charge now for the use of either type of shelter.

Use of park shelters has increased over the past few years.



Patti Richardson/The Chart

Ken LaNear, right, from VFW Post 113, talks with U.S. Army Pfc. Bandy Pease at a reception honoring him Oct. 13.

City honors local soldier

By MICHELLE CONTY
Coordinating Editor

The reality and humanity of the war in Iraq came home when the mayor of his hometown of Duquesne recognized Pfc. Bandy Pease.

After serving seven months in Iraq, Pease was wounded in combat Sept. 19 when the Humvee he was riding in rolled over an explosive device.

With shrapnel in his lip and leg, three feet of packing in his side and a bandage on the left side of his face, Pease accepted a plaque of appreciation at a reception held in his honor Oct. 13 at Duquesne City Hall.

"It is an experience very few soldiers have been through now," Pease said. "It's not as common as in other wars."

Pease has a doctor appointment Oct. 18, and may be granted another two

"Slowly we'd see little kids ... giving the thumbs up, smiling saying 'Americans.'"

Pfc. Bandy Pease,
U.S. Army

weeks medical leave.

"He is a hero in our eyes," said Rick Sweet, Duquesne mayor. "We felt the city should do something to recognize him."

The mayor's father, Lt. Col. Dale Sweet, U.S. Army, retired, attended the reception to show his support.

"I thought it would add a little bit to the boy to have a couple of leading caps there," Dale Sweet said. "He seemed to appreciate us, I know we appreciate him."

"We can't give our troops too much moral support," said Staff Sgt. Ken LaNear, U.S. Army, retired. LaNear attended the event with Lt. Col. Sweet.

Pease was traveling in a convoy of three Humvees when the incident occurred. It is unusual for them to hit the last vehicle. It is usually the first that gets hit, he said.

Five soldiers were in the vehicle when it was hit, one other soldier was injured.

Pease emphasized the importance of care packages and letters to the deployed troops

"Those little packages mean a lot," he

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City seeks
tourism,
convention
director

By JONATHAN BEVILLE
City Editor

The City of Joplin has initiated a search for a new Director of the city's Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Jim Zaleski, who held the position previously resigned Sept. 19 after being cited with a DUI, said Joplin public information officer Lynn Onstot.

Chance Morgan, assistant to the city manager, is acting as administrative interim director at the bureau.

Morgan said the city has hired an executive search firm, SearchWide, out of Minnesota to assist in hiring a replacement.

Morgan said the search firm expects it will take 90 days to hire someone.

"Of course we want someone with experience in this type of bureau and a similar market, as well as with typical things like managing a budget and personnel," Morgan said

Morgan said an advisory panel will also be consulted in the process of hiring a replacement for Zaleski.

The panel will consist of members of the Joplin area Chamber of Commerce, CVB advisory board and various industry representatives from Joplin

In the past several weeks, several future conventions have been announced.

The Missouri Jaycees and the Missouri Thespians have both announced they will hold their state conventions in Joplin during 2004.

Zaleski originated several programs in his tenure at the bureau, which are still in effect today.

One such program is The Frontline Employee Recognition Award. The award is presented each May during Tourism Week to a member of the hospitality who has been recommended by colleagues.

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Springfield residents Diane Tucker and Ingrid Denney have been collecting postcards for many years and came to Joplin for the postcard fair on Oct. 10.

Card collectors come to Joplin
searching for cards, memories

By ALICE HOSSAIN
Staff Writer

For the seventh year in a row, the Courthouse Square Antique Cards Show came to Joplin.

Jim Taylor, Neosho, organized the postcard fair, which took place Oct. 10 and 11 at the John Q. Hammons Trade Center.

"We bring people in from all over the United States," Taylor said. "The dealers coming here are bringing postcards from all over the world."

Taylor collects photographs and postcards from Oklahoma where he was born, but he said most people coming to the fair are looking for Joplin or Carthage cards.

Native American's, cowboys, mining and Route 66 cards are in great demanded, he said. Route 66 cards are especially requested.

He said the show is also a gold mine for dealer's who want to sell on E-Bay.

Alan Banks, St. Louis, said he wanted to find some rare cards to complete his collection.

"I am looking for Missouri small town real photos from 1910," Banks said. It is interesting to see the contrast between what the street looked like 90 years ago and what it looks like today."

Jim Davis from Hot Springs, Ark., comes to the fair every year.

"I come up here, because the dealers from Missouri get a lot of the Arkansas cards," Davis said. "It is fun, I get a couple of cards I have never seen before."

For others like Shirley Cox from Memory Lane Postcards in Maryland, the fair was a reunion.

"I have not been to this show in a couple of years, so it is nice to come back and revisit some old friends," Cox said.

Cox had her own booth at the fair, and her husband has been in the postcard business for about 40 years.

"It is not like stamps and coins, it is a private enterprise," she said. "It is a hunt and not knowing how much is out there. That is why a lot of people collect because they say 'I think I have all my home towns, but I am not sure.' It is not like coins where you can say how many are made."

Bill Martin from Mary Martin Ltd., was introduced to the business by his wife, Mary, 37 years ago.

"There was tremendous research on postcards in the 60s," Martin said. "It used to be Germany and England who were the biggest producers of cards. The quality of their cards is unbelievable."

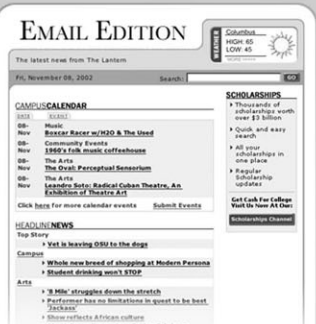
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The McDonald's at 1123 Range Line Road was redecorated in June with a Missouri Southern theme.

McDonald's receives face lift

By ALICE HOSSAIN
Staff Writer

It is the world's leading fast food chain with more than 30,000 restaurants in 119 countries. On Range Line Road there is one McDonald's with a new face.

"Our McDonald's on 1123 Range Line was remodeled, because it was too old," said Carla Chew, general manager. "An overall update was necessary. The whole inside was renewed: the seats, the tables and the walls."

The construction work took approximately eight weeks to transform an old-fashioned, average franchising company to a modern, unique McDonald's.

What makes this McDonald's unique are the highly visible green and gold Missouri Southern plates attached to the top of the seats.

"All the McDonald's stores got an update and every store has its own interior," Chew said, "McDonald's at Range Line is proud to be the only one that has this special Missouri Southern design."

The new composition of the lounges was no coincidence.

"There are many students from Missouri Southern coming here, either in the morning on their way to class or in the evening on their way home," Chew said, "We have considered every-

thing. We have these big, round tables with comfortable benches, where the students enjoy sitting around."

Many McDonald's stores support local development, local schools, youth sports and other community programs.

Chew knows why the owners of the Range Line McDonald's have a special reason for their open support.

"Both owners of this McDonald's store are alumni who went to Missouri Southern years ago," she said. "They still have a special bond to their former university."

Chew said she has been very satisfied with customer reactions so far.

"I think it is pretty colorful, attractive and welcoming," said Sergio Estridge, senior computer information science major. "Having the Missouri Southern Lions makes you feel like you are in a college environment. I appreciate that because it is kind of, as we say in the Caribbean, 'bigging' up your school. It means promoting your school."

Many students say the new McDonald's is brighter and more colorful, Chew said.

They get positive feedback, not only from the students and alumni coming in, but also from other guests.

"You have visitors coming through Joplin from all over the places who probably will see that and this advertises Missouri Southern," Estridge said.

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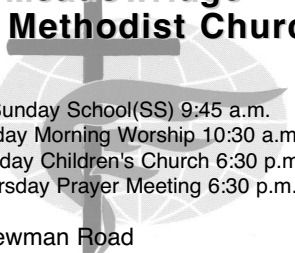


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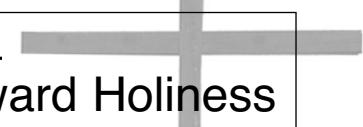
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OUTBACK

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thing good," he said.

Barrett has been to the United States before, but this time, he came to get married.

Julie McGrath, Barrett's fiancée and former Australian sheriff will marry him Friday at Spencer's home. They have enjoyed their visit to the states.

"People make it their business to make you feel welcome," Barrett said.

The students in Spencer's class enjoyed Barrett's visit.

"It's interesting to see a different point of view from a different part of the world," said Amanda Gish, senior computer information science major.

Spencer thanked the international mission for the opportunity to go to Australia where he initially met Barrett.

"You may meet someone you'll stay in contact with years later," he said.

SOLDIER:

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said. "When you're out in the field, thinking of home eases your mind a lot; it allows your mind to take a break from the job."

More than items, Pease said it is the letters of appreciation that mean the most to the troops. A package of letters from a third grade class brought a rare light-hearted joy to the servicemen, he said.

"It really makes a difference in what goes on over there, it raises morale to know the people back home appreciate us and the cause is worthwhile," he said.

Pease said he was fortunate to receive something on a weekly basis.

It took five months for the troops to clear the area.

"Nothing worth doing happens overnight," he said. "Slowly we'd see little kids in Nike hats and 'Just do it' T-shirts and tennis shoes giving the thumbs up, smiling, saying 'Americans.'"

Cooke deserves respect

There is no other way to describe the current Missouri Southern football situation. It's simply a dead end.

After three and a half seasons at the helm, Bill Cooke surveys the damage and throws in the towel.

What makes this so difficult to believe is how unappreciative his efforts have been, particularly the past two seasons.

Consider these scenarios: 1. He took so much pride in Lions football. Even through the worst of times, how often did you hear that statement he



Vince Sweeney
 Chart Sports Editor
 (1999-2001)

“bleeds green and gold?” 2. In March 2000, when Gregg Gregory called it quits, Cooke didn't hesitate.

He went to Jim Frazier and said he wanted this responsibility.

And while there were a load of bumps in the road that first season, Frazier never seemed to doubt for a second that he made the right decision. Even after a 48-3 thumping at the hands of Southwest Missouri State, Cooke said, “I'm still glad to be football coach.” Things appeared in good hands.

What's troubling is that the progress was coming around. 2001? Anyone recall a 35-13 trouncing over Central Missouri, which ultimately cost that talented team a chance at postseason? After a strong end to the 2001 campaign, 2002 could have been the time. But after a 4-0 start, Southern had a disastrous meltdown to finish 5-6.

And now here we are. Following a shocking opening loss at Bacone, everyone knew it was only a matter of time. Southern now stands at 1-5, with the lone win against the always less-than-impressive Miners of Mo-Rolla.

To make matters worse, Rob Green now faces the dreadful task Saturday of going to Northwest and then turning around next week for the Miner's Bowl.

It promises to be a real treat. And now with Cooke out of the picture, the question can officially be asked.

Who's next to take on this team? Everyone has heard the rumors, and they've been going around much longer than just the last few days. No names will be mentioned, but we all know the top pick, and there's no reason to look too far.

Only time will tell if Coach X is ultimately the answer. But to have success he'll certainly need more than three years. After some progress was showing, Cooke was suddenly under tremendous pressure to win. Coming from Southern, this is a surprise.

The blame can't be totally placed on Cooke. Don't doubt his loyalty for a second. Recruiting had been great. And so many times it looked like he was going to have the Lions headed back in the right direction.

Now, as Cooke said so often, “it's time to reshuffle the deck.” And let's face it; Southern has a long way to go before reaching the top of the MIAA.

Once again, this wounded team starts over. And whoever takes on this program next is to be commended, because right now it's a no-win situation.

As for Cooke, he can sleep tonight. He knows he did everything he could do. Impatience on the part of everyone just began to play too big of a role.

That's why Cooke said enough is enough.

Vince Sweeney was the Sports Editor for The Chart (1999-2001). His opinions are his own and don't necessarily reflect those of The Chart staff.

Teams run to championship race

By PHILIP MARTIN
 Sports Editor

Women's cross country ran to a third place finish Oct. 11 and to the No. 21 position nationally.

The Lions finished ahead of all other conference teams with 116 points and a time of 1:37:04.42. The closest team was Central Missouri State University, who placed fourth with 123 points.

Truman State University and Pittsburg State University came in fifth and sixth, respectively. TSU had 137 points and a time of 1:37:50.94, PSU had 149 points and a time of 1:37:58.71. The top two teams were the University of Southern Indiana, with 73 points, and host-university Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville, with 99 points. Patty Vavra, head women's cross country coach, said the win was a confidence builder.

“I think we did good,” said sophomore Megan Russell. “It was a good chance to

compete against the top teams in our conference.”

“We were able to run well two weeks in a row, we have steadily improved over the season but the last race at Rolla we proved we could be a pretty good team,” Vavra said

At the Missouri/Illinois Border Wars the team was able to prove it was a good team two meets in a row and “it wasn't a fluke this is a team that can be very competitive in the conference and region,” she said. Up next for the Lions is the MIAA Conference Championship held at Truman State University in Kirksville on Oct. 25.

“There will be tough competition,” Russell said.

She said the team “will be strong” and be able to get through the competition. Vavra said the conference will be a close meet.

“It's going to be like it has been in the last several years, it's going to be a real dogfight when it comes to the conference championship,” she said.

Vavra said individual runners help with who wins, even the athletes who come in at the end add to the team's total points. The team's total points determines who wins and goes on to NCAA Division II South Central Regional meet Nov. 8 in Commerce, Texas.

On the men's side of the meet, the men's cross country team ran into stiff competition, placing fifth at the Border Wars. Tom Rutledge, head men's cross country coach, said the team has never lost the Border Wars before. Missouri Southern finished the race with a time of 2:13:03.25 and a score of 123. Coming in ahead of the Lions were the University of Southern Indiana with 73 points and a time of 2:11:42.88. USI came in first position; in second was Rend Lake College with a time of 2:12:31.14 and a total of 87 points. In third was the University of Indiana with 99 points and a time of 2:12:25.84. Placing a spot in front of the Lions was Paradise Valley Community College with a time of 2:13:06.54 and 122 points.

“They (other conference universities) didn't run their full teams,” Rutledge said.

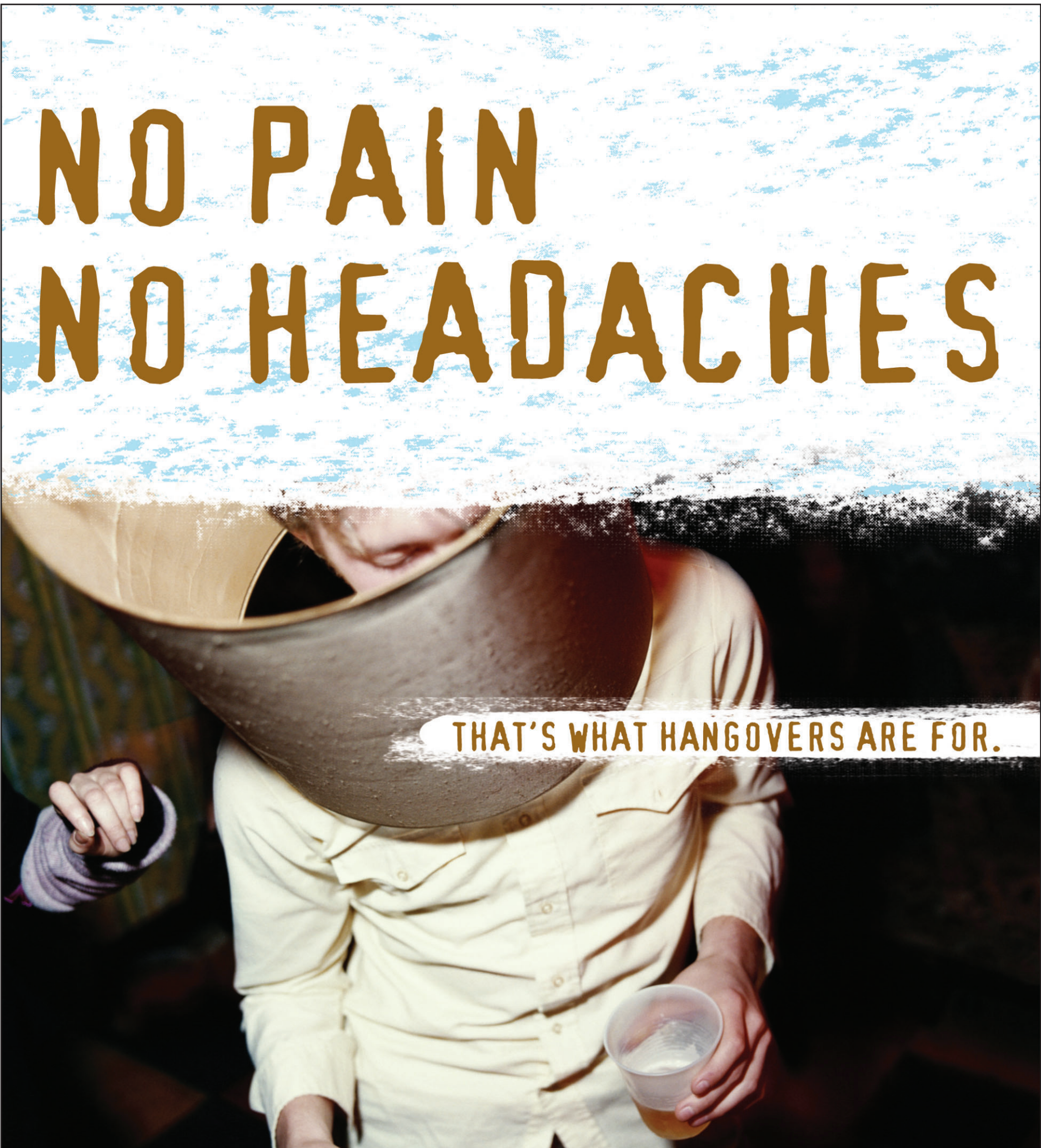
“A lot of it is trying to play head games, we don't do that at Missouri Southern. We go out, we race and we do the best we can and we go with it. We are what we are.”

Rutledge said the team likes to run at the head of the pack and makes the other teams catch them. He said this is what has propelled the team to the top of conference. During the conference championships the Lions will not change the way they runs.

“You don't change things, you try to do what you do best,” he said.

“The conference meet is a whole different animal. Truman will be tough to beat at their home place, but we can do it. We are going to need to have a extremely good race.”

He said it is the first time conference teams are evenly matched. Before the Lions had been on top of the conference standings.



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Mutert thanks family for help

By **TARA WALKER**
Staff Writer

Earlier this season, while the Lions' volleyball team was at Pittsburg State University on Sept. 18 fighting off the Gorillas, something spectacular happened. Although the battle was lost, senior setter Kym Mutert set the Southern record for assists with 3,728, contributing 52 that game. Mutert said she kind of knew last year about the possibility of her setting the record.

"My boyfriend and my dad always made sure to let me know," Mutert said.

At the end of the year last year, Mutert's father told her she would have to get 300 and something assists to break the record. Mutert said she had no idea when that was going to happen. About two games before the PSU game, Mutert's father and boyfriend told her she would break the record in the next week of games. With a heads up, Mutert said she kind of got to thinking about it, but her focus was still more on playing PSU than it was on beating the record.

Mutert's family drove approximately five hours to watch her play at PSU. "They knew how important it was to me for them to be there," Mutert said. Even though Southern lost to PSU, Mutert said the loss was made better having her family there, although losing that game definitely took away from

beating the record. Mutert comes from Washington, Mo. a small town, where she has lived near most of her family. "Family was definitely a big part of my upbringing," Mutert said. "I have a lot of support from my family. They are my biggest fans."

"When Kym makes her mind up to do something, she gives 100 percent," said Mutert's mother Joyce Mutert. "We are really proud of her."

Mutert decided to attend Southern because she liked the team, it had her major, which was then dental hygiene, and she was guaranteed playing time.

"I wasn't going to come down here and sit," Mutert said. "I did not want to sit the bench."

Mutert has changed majors twice since attending Southern.

She went from dental hygiene to health promotion to her current major, physical education. She said after long talks with her parents and boyfriend, they all agreed that she needed to be in the schools teaching children about health.

"I do have a passion for fitness," Mutert said.

Mutert is certified in step aerobics. She became certified last May and taught it for about two months in Washington.

Mutert plans to go for her certification in personal training this coming June.

She said she would like to have her summers when she is not teaching to teach aerobics.

This way she said she can still teach



Patti Richardson/The Chart

Kym Mutert, senior setter, leads Missouri Southern in all-time assists record.

athletes and the general public.

Mutert plans to graduate in December 2004.

She would like to reside and teach in the St. Louis area, which is not far from Washington.

She said she doesn't want to go far from home.

"Living there would be perfect," Mutert said.

"I would have my own life, but still be close to my family."

Football team loses Homecoming, head coach

By **JEREMIAH COOK**
Staff Writer

The Lions were looking to pick up their second win of the season when they took the field Oct. 11 at Hughes Stadium.

The Lions and the Bulldogs of Truman State University battled to a scoreless tie in the first quarter before TSU broke the stalemate with a 43-yard field goal by sophomore Mark Kamphoefner with 3:20 left in the second quarter. Missouri Southern responded with a 36-yard Brad Komen field goal 2:24 later, making it a 3-3 game at the half.

It would be all Bulldogs from there,

with touchdowns coming on a 49-yard Jerard Levenson run and a 4-yard dash by Kamphoefner.

Truman would go on to win the game 13-3, and drop Southern to 1-3 in the MIAA, and a mark of 1-5 overall.

The following day, head coach Bill Cooke resigned, and on Oct. 13, Rob Green assumed the helm, by virtue of his title of assistant head coach.

Green and the Lions will be looking for win No. 2 when they travel to Maryville to tangle with the Northwest Missouri State University Bearcats.

The Bearcats hold the edge in the all-time series, 10-4, including wins in the last eight meetings between the two teams.

One thing the team will have to do in

order to win is find a way to stop junior wide receiver Jamaica Rector. Rector is averaging 83.3 yards receiving per game through six games.

He is also a threat in the return game, where he is averaging 35.8 yards per return.

All totaled, Rector is averaging 183.3 total yards per game.

"The very first thing that we are going to do to counter him is to keep the ball away from him on special teams," Green said. "Any time he gets the ball in the open field he is definitely a threat. He is truly an impact player in the league."

"If you try to do too much to stop Jamaica Rector, then they have Andre Rector and Morris White," said defen-

sive coordinator Mark Smith.

"So you can't double or triple team him, or do things to just cover him up, because they do have so many weapons."

Even though the team is heading in to a hostile environment against the 25th ranked team in the country, the Lions still feel good about their chances.

"They are definitely beatable," said junior tight end Cody Hilburn. "Up front (on defense) they are usually a lot tougher than they are this year."

"Nobody is expecting us to win except us," said junior safety T.J. Onstott. "And we all believe it."

Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. on Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium in Maryville.

Lions miss sting from Hornets

By **MELISSA BLANCHARD**
Staff Writer

The Lions didn't let the Emporia State University Hornets sting them as they went for a 2-2 tie in double overtime Oct. 10.

"The tie says something for the parity in the conference," said Trevor Wachsman, women's soccer coach.

With the Lions regular goalie gone, fill-in Jennifer Griest had her first shot at playing goalie. "She did a real good job, she basically volunteered and it was awesome of her to take that challenge on," Wachsman said.

Tera Reisner, junior forward, had both goals, and Elisa Bryant, senior forward, had the assists.

A few days later, Oct. 12, the Lions didn't roar as loud, with a 3-2 loss to Washburn University.

"They (Washburn) were coming off their first conference win and had some confidence," Wachsman said.

With a conference record of 2-3-3, the Lions have a promising chance of continuing.

"As a team, I'd like us to go to the national tournament," Bryant said. "We are more of a team this year."

Wachsman keeps talking to the women about heart, and bringing consistency to their play.

"[We need] a lot more heart on the field, and I feel we are on the right track," Bryant said. "The intensity during the games will pick up 100 percent."

"When we play hard we are able to possess the ball and create a lot of quality chances on goal," Wachsman said. "Right now, we are trying to bring consistency to our play. That's our biggest goal. Some games we play as good as any other team out there, and other games it just isn't there."

The University of Missouri-Rolla hosts the Lions at 7 p.m. Friday. The Lions have a home game at 7 p.m. Wednesday when they host Southwest Baptist University. Senior night is at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30 versus ESU.

"We need to score a little more," Bryant said.

"We need to go out on the field and work as one unit instead of individuals."

Road trip improves player morale, team starts 'new season' after break

By **JEREMIAH COOK**
Staff Writer

The Missouri Southern men's soccer team took its three game win streak on the road over the past weekend, and was greeted by defeat.

Kiley Cirillo, head coach of Missouri Southern men's soccer, said the problem was more of an emotional one than a technical one, though.

"Emotionally, I think that we were taxed," Cirillo said.

"We were on an emotional high after three wins in a row, and we went in there expecting to win."

"We planned on winning at least one of those games, and when you loose both of them, that's pretty frustrating," said senior forward Lance Juett.

But even with the loss, there comes a ray of

hope. The road trip did give the team a chance to bond.

"Any time you go on a road trip, you get a little closer as a team," Cirillo said.

The men's soccer team has a 12-day break until their next game, and that is something that the team is looking forward to.

"I think that it gives the players a chance to reflect," Cirillo said.

"I think it will help us a lot," Juett said.

Although the team is 3-8 on the year, there have been some improvements since the start of the team.

"I think emotionally they are right there, even though our record doesn't show it," Cirillo said.

After the break, the team will start what Cirillo refers to as a "new season," facing off against five teams in a two-week time span, beginning with the Owls of William Woods University Tuesday in Joplin.



Football

Oct. 11 Results

MSSU	0	3	0	0	—	3
TSU	0	3	6	6	—	15

Second Quarter

TSU — Kamphoefner 43 yd field goal, 3:20. MSSU — Komen 36 yd field goal, 0:56

Third Quarter

TSU — Levenson 49 yd run (Yokeley pass failed), 5:41

Fourth Quarter

TSU — Kamphoener 4 yd run (Yokeley pass failed), 0:38

Men's Soccer

Oct. 12 Results

NSU	2	2	—	4
MSSU	0	0	—	0

NSU Scoring: Salinas (Debenham, Greenhaw), 16:33. Porter (Greenhaw), 28:09. Debenham (Michael-Waite), 66:12. Steward (unassisted), 76:36. MSSU Scoring: None

Women's Soccer

Oct. 12 Results

WU	2	1	—	3
MSSU	2	0	—	2

WU Scoring: Lawless (unassisted), 10:33. Zadina (Horvath), 21:42. Zadina (unassisted), 76:34. MSSU Scoring: Reisner (unassisted), 3:11. Buhman (unassisted), 14:37.

Volleyball

Oct. 14 Results

SBU	21	19	19
MSSU	30	30	30

Cross Country

Oct. 11 Results

Men's	
Top 5 Teams	Score
1. USI	73
2. RLC	87
3. UI	99
4. PVCC	122
5. MSSU	123

Women's	
Top 5 Teams	Score
1. USI	73
2. SIUE	99
3. MSSU	116
4. CMSU	123
5. TSU	137

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Oct. 18

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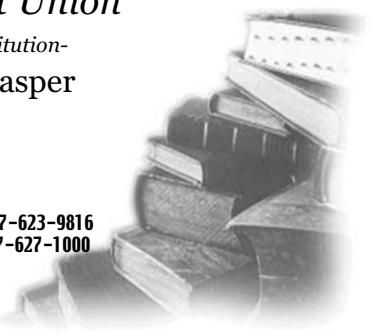
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Moving Up and Beyond



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One goal of the Missouri Southern Foundation is to improve athletic and student recreational facilities. This would include installing a new track surface which would conform to Olympic standards.

Administration addresses student needs

By MICHELLE CONTY
Coordinating Editor

Every little bit helps as the Missouri Southern Foundation kicks off its first capital campaign.

The main areas the Foundation is hoping to enhance include the international mission, technology and equipment, athletic and recreational facilities and professional development.

“We started out with more than \$28 million worth of projects to look at,” said Curt Betebenner, director of the Missouri Southern Foundation. “Then we took it to the community to help prioritize the projects.”

The Foundation settled on just under \$8 million worth of projects to fund, making this the largest financial endeavor in Southern’s history.

“It is my expectation to surpass that goal if at all possible,” said University President Julio León.

Pledges total \$3 million thus far.

“We have been in the quiet phase of the campaign for two years now, it’s nice to get it to the general public where there is more activity and support,” Betebenner said.

“It is important that those who are older, out of school and have a good livelihood support our public schools, said Larry Hickey, honorary chairman of the Missouri Southern Endowment and Capital Campaign.

Hickey helped his alma mater, the



Dr. Julio León
University President

University of Kansas, raise \$500 million for a capital campaign.

“The main thing is to be a booster and show support,” he said.

Students and alumni who are not yet in a position to make large contributions are still encouraged to support the campaign.

“Giving is all relative,” said Fred Osborn, member of the Foundation steering committee and president of Commerce Bank. “Five or \$10 dollars is just as much help as a million.”

For those unable to contribute financially, Osborn encourages moral support and encouragement through on campus involvement and enthusiasm.

Osborn wants to see Joplin grow as a college town and thinks the campaign will have a strong impact on the community.

“In education today, if you are not moving ahead, you are backing up,” Osborn said.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR RECOGNITION

Name on:

Residence Hall	\$1,000,000
Student Rec. Facility	\$1,000,000
TV/Radio Studios	\$500,000
Scholarship Fund	\$100,000
Computer Labs	\$50,000
Classrooms	\$25,000
Seminar Rooms	\$15,000

FOUNDATION:

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University, TU has approximately 4,000 students on campus, more than 2,000 of which pass through the fitness center every day, he said.

Carnahan said Arizona State University tracked students who were regular users of the rec center there and discovered these students had higher graduation rates.

“We want students to go over anytime on their own or expand intramurals that are now limited because of space, lights and the fields,” Fullerton said.

Cost is one factor receiving a significant amount of attention in planning the center.

“Any speculation to cost and fees are of pure speculation and totally unwarranted,” León said.

Present plans call for a portion of the financing necessary to cover the expansion to come from a student activities fee.

“The fee per semester will be minimal especially in consideration of what the students will get out of the building,” Odem said.

The exact cost of the fee, however, has not been determined.

Carnahan said part-time students would also contribute to the project through the activity fee.

Presently, part time students do not pay the same fees as full time students.

“Anybody who says they know how much it is going to cost does not know,” Odem said.

Curt Betebenner, director of the Missouri Southern Foundation, said he is talking to someone about donating \$1 million specifically for the student recreation center.

Larry Hickey is the honorary chairman of the Missouri Southern Endowment and Capital Campaign. He said people should support the University financially.

Hickey grew up during the depression and worked his way through school.

He said people would donate money to the school when they didn’t have enough to eat.

“To see the University prosper, it is important the alumni give when they can,” Osborn said. “It contributes to the enthusiasm of the University.”

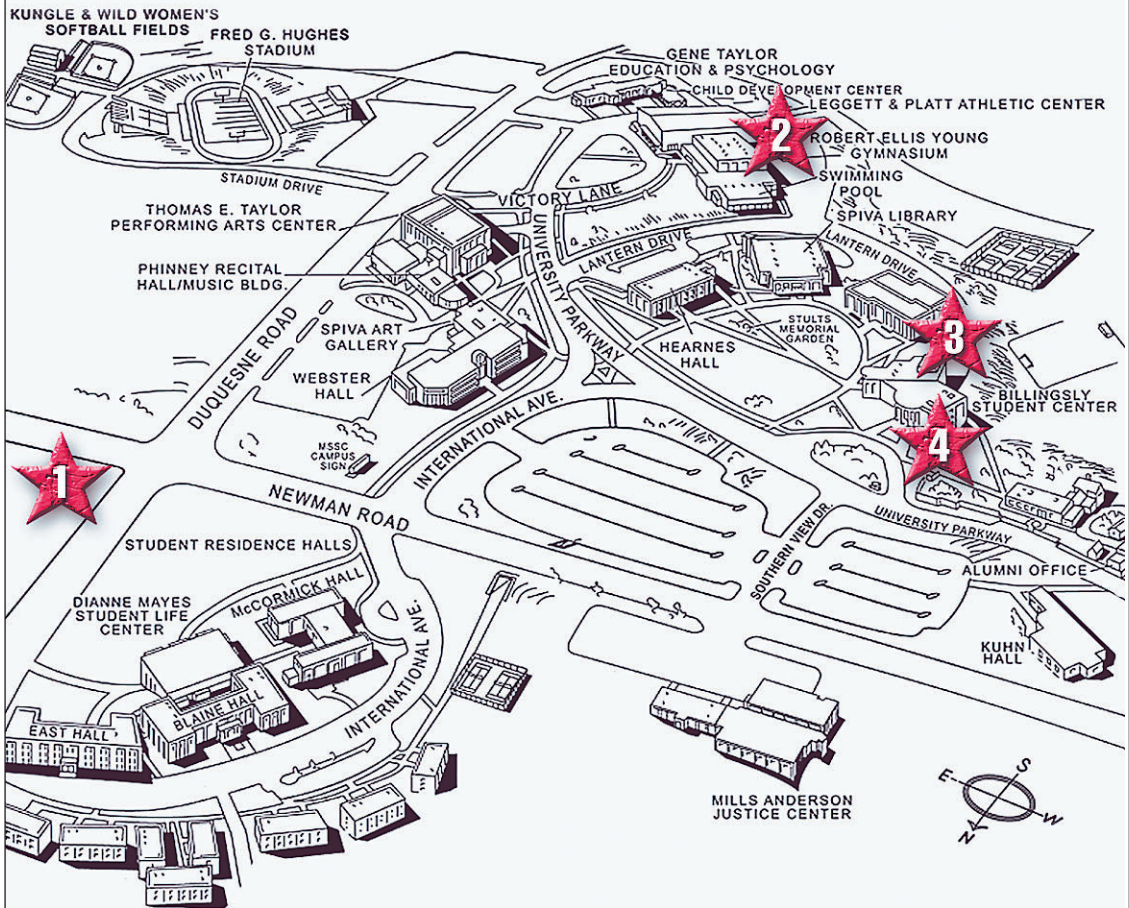


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Andreas Adams, senior marketing major from Germany, works out at the Student Life Center. On average, Adams works out in the SLC two days a week.

Proposed recreation center sites

(In no specific order)



- 1. Northeast corner of Duquesne and Newman
- 2. Attached to Robert Ellis Young Gymnasium
- 3. Behind Billingsly Student Center
- 4. Attached to Billingsly Student Center

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